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THE DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE AND RESEARCH
WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Robert M. Gates
Deputy Director for Intelligence
Central Intelligence Agency

SUBJECT: SNIE on Prospects for Nuclear and CW/BW
Proliferation

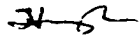
Bob,
The Secretary mentioned last Saturday that he had suggested about a year ago that it would be useful to examine the prospects for proliferation of both nuclear and CW/BW weapons for the next few years, and also to look at the implications of such proliferation prospects.

While his concerns at the moment are related to Pakistan, more broadly he perceives a pattern of proliferation in both the nuclear and CW/BW fields, and would like to have a hard look taken at this prospect and its implications.

I do not find any record that such a SNIE has been tasked previously to you, but would like to do so in this medium.

Could you please confirm that such a SNIE can be scheduled, and when you might anticipate completion?

Thank you for your assistance.


~~Hugh Montgomery~~

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